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Applicants   :   Nick Holt and Steve Thomas
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                        IN AN ELECTRONIC MAIL SYSTEM

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please cancel claim 1. Please add the following new claims 2-42:

1   -- 2.   A computer-readable medium containing a data structure describing a

2   custom form, the custom form having a field representing a form component, the data

3   structure including:

4   a form header containing data describing a window into which fields are to be

5   displayed on a display device;

6   a description of the field; and

7   a form control procedure for receiving data that is input into the field, for

8   determining whether to perform a custom behavior for the field, and for performing the